



St. Martin of Tours Catholic School



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Lent Continues



The Lenten season continues until March 29th. **During the 40 days of Lent**, Christians remember the time when Jesus went into the desert to fast and pray before beginning his work for God.

MOVIE NIGHT



St. Martin is very excited to have our first movie night on Friday, March 23rd!

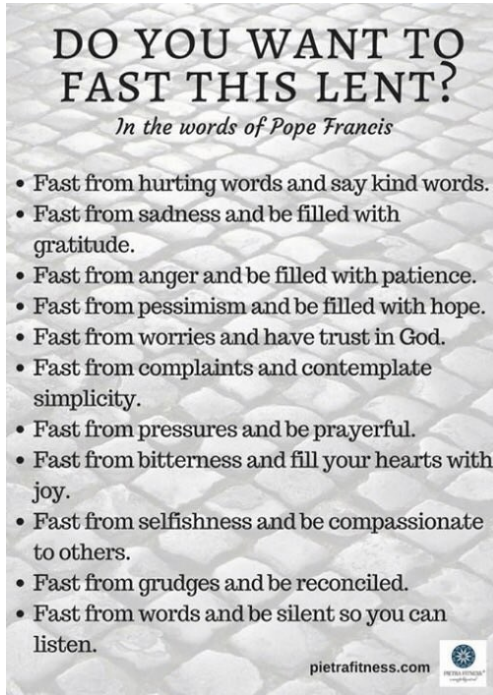
We will be having a fundraising raffle for 2 baskets— Our theme baskets are “A Night In” - Ms. Raisanen’s class and “Car Care” - Ms. Balemba’s class. **Each student is to bring in an appropriate themed item under \$10.** Please ensure that we receive the items **no later than Wednesday, March 21st.**

The raffle tickets will be \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

Popcorn will be sold for \$0.50 / bag

Chocolate Bars \$1.00 ea.

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?



In the words of #PopeFrancis
#Lent2017 #FatMonday



From @alcddb_marn

Did you know there are different types of fasting one can practice during Lent? Reflect upon these ones you know you can try and do. Let's make this Lent the

#BestLentEver

Kindergarten Registration



If you or someone you know has a child **age 4 by December 31st** and would like to attend our school, please have them come to the office and register in our Kindergarten Program. The ALCDSB focuses on faith formation, academic success and programs for children, all within a play-based learning environment. Teachers and Early Childhood Educators work together to develop your child's natural curiosity and excitement for learning. Our schools ensure a caring and safe environment for your children, all while staying committed to the use of advanced technology in the classroom. Our staff would be happy to answer any questions you might have about enrolment and our school.

To register, you will be required to bring the following documentation with you:

- Birth Certificate
- Baptismal Certificate
- Evidence of direction of taxes to the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board
- Up to date immunization records

OUR LEARNING COMMONS



The Primary/Junior class getting information about our school's Learning Commons.

TOWER GARDEN UPDATE



From Chrissy Balemba @MsBalemba & @alcdsb_marn

Wahoo! We've transferred our seedlings to the tower and can't wait to see even more growth. So proud of these kids for their dedication to a watering schedule these past 6 weeks; even on snow day! #towergarden @HealthyKidsHPE @TowerGarden

ANTI BULLYING DAY—PINK DAY



From @alcdsb_marn

Primary/Juniors support wearing pink.

Stop the bullying!

PIZZA DAY



Pizza Day will be on **Thursday, March 8th**. Form went home on February 28th. Please remember to return the forms by Tuesday, March 6th and don't forget that you can purchase online!



MARCH BREAK



March Break is March 12th to March 16th. They're will be no school during this time. Have a safe and enjoyable week!

WHY LEARN FRENCH?

Why Learn French?

"I think it's important to continue studying French because it gives us more opportunities. It looks good on job applications and post-secondary school applications. When we travel to French speaking places, we can converse with others and ask for help if needed."

-Chloé, ALCDSB Grade 11 Student

Encourage your child to be a lifelong learner of French!

BUS CANCELLATIONS/SCHOOL OPEN



As winter is now here and we are faced with the possibility of bus cancellations, please take a moment to visit www.triboard.on.ca and sign up for the Cancellations and Delays Notification that can be sent directly to your email. We will not be making individual phone calls to notify parents of cancellations this year.

IMPORTANT: In the event buses are cancelled, SMT will be **OPEN**. Students are encouraged to attend school, if they are able to, which allows them the perfect opportunity to get caught up in their work or seek extra assistance in their work.